

## EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

### Mr. Bryan's Resignation.

The resignation of Secretary Bryan has created a sensation throughout the world. A known apostle of peace, his withdrawal means that the President will hereafter pursue a more vigorous policy, not only in the present crisis with Germany, but in the Mexican trouble as well. As a persistent and unyielding opponent of war under any circumstances, Mr. Bryan has been a handicap to the President in upholding the dignity of the country. The Huerta insult, the German insolence and similar recent occurrences have created a growing impression that the United States cannot be provoked into war, even to uphold the honor of the nation. Mr. Bryan is beginning to again reach an erratic stage in his remarkable career and has identified himself with several issues that the President cannot endorse. The country has come to regard Mr. Bryan as merely a department head, shining in the reflected light of the ablest statesman of his time, and that such a position should in time become irksome to Mr. Bryan is not a surprise. Great men are not always the right men to be subordinates of great rulers. The President will most probably fill Mr. Bryan's place with a secretary who will find out what his chief wants done and help him to do it.

A Washington dispatch says a coalition cabinet, such as was recently formed in England, may be the result of Sec. Bryan's resignation. Men most prominently mentioned in Washington to succeed Bryan are Wm. H. Taft and Elihu Root. The president's close advisers think it would have a wholesome effect on public opinion abroad, as well as toward unifying the nation, to appoint Taft, who has wholeheartedly approved Wilson's foreign policy.

The two young men who are representing the Kentuckian at Olympic Springs are in the thick of the fight and in the glare of the limelight. Thomas Underwood is pitcher in the Western Kentucky baseball team and Herschel Long led the grand march at the opening ball, with a Mississippi belle.

Another Austrian air raid was made over the Adriatic coast of Italy. At Venice a woman and a girl were wounded. Elsewhere one person was killed and a number injured. At Venice "slight damage" was done according to official announcement.

Reginald Warneford, the youthful Canadian aviator who destroyed one of the troublesome Zeppelins that had dropped bombs on English towns, has been given the Victoria Cross.

Dr. Bernard Dernberg has engaged passage on the steamship Bergensford of the Norwegian-American line, leaving New York Saturday.

Headed by the Mayor, a posse at Caldwell, Kan., drove from the city a party of 350 idle men who posed as farmhands and who demanded food.

John B. Chenault, of Maysville, was yesterday appointed a national bank examiner on recommendation of Senator Ollie M. James.

Miss Elsket Bajach, is one of this year's Memphis graduates. A name like that ought to be changed without delay.

The peach season has opened in Arkansas and the famous orchard at Highland shipped nine carloads Monday.

The Dixie Bee Line Highway is well named. It is the only direct route from Chicago to the South.

Russia furnishes more woman fighters in wartime than any other nation.

July wheat is approaching the dollar mark, dropping Tuesday to \$1.12.

# W. J. BRYAN RESIGNS FROM THE CABINET

## DISAPPROVES GERMAN NOTE

Secretary of State Cannot Reconcile Peace Views With U. S. Action.

RESIGNATION WAS ACCEPTED  
Great Commoner to Continue Political Support of President, He States.

Washington, June 9.—William Jennings Bryan, three times democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States and author of nearly thirty peace treaties with principal nations of the world, resigned yesterday as secretary of state, as a dramatic sequel to his disagreement with President Wilson over the government's policy toward Germany.

The resignation was accepted by the President. The cabinet then approved the response which had been prepared to the German reply to the Lusitania note. Acting Secretary Robert Lansing will sign the document and it will be cabled to Berlin.

Secretary Bryan will return to private life at once. It was learned that he intends to continue his political support of the President.

Rather than sign the document, which he believed might possibly draw the United States into war, Mr. Bryan submitted his resignation in a letter declaring that "the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely the prevention of war."

The President accepted the resignation in a letter of regret, tinged with deep personal feeling of affection. The letters constituting the official announcement of Mr. Bryan's departure from the cabinet to private life were made public at the White House at 6 o'clock last night.

**BRYAN'S LETTER.**  
Secretary Bryan's letter of resignation was as follows:

"My Dear Mr. President:  
"It is with sincere regret that I have reached the conclusion that I should return to you the commission of secretary of state with which you honored me at the beginning of your administration.

"Obedient to your sense of duty and actuated by the highest motives, you have prepared for transmission to the German government a note in which I cannot join without violating what I deem to be an obligation to my country, and the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely, the prevention of war."

"I, therefore, respectfully tender my resignation to take effect when the note is sent, unless you prefer an earlier hour. Alike desirous of reaching a peaceful solution of the problems arising out of the use of submarines against merchantmen, we find ourselves differing irreconcilably as to the methods which should be employed.

"It falls to your lot to speak officially for the nation; I consider it to be none the less my duty to endeavor as a private citizen to promote the end which you have in view by means which you do not feel at liberty to use.

"In severing the intimate and pleasant relations which have existed between us during the past two years, permit me to acknowledge the profound satisfaction which it has given me to be associated with you in the important work which has come before the state department, and to thank you for the courtesies extended.

## FEW CASES YET TRIED

Circuit Court Hampered By Absence of Many of The Witnesses.

PETIT JURIES MADE UP.

Many Commonwealth Cases Are Passed or Continued.

Circuit Court got down to business on the Commonwealth docket Tuesday after empaneling the petit juries:

The following Petit juries were made up Tuesday:  
M. S. Hopson, J. L. P'Pool, Ed Powers, Charlie Jackson, Gabe L. Campbell, W. R. Dudley, A. E. Word, Dudley Stamps, Joe P. Sizemore, W. C. Perkins, R. J. Hopson, B. S. Lackey, E. E. Steger, E. C. Stevenson, W. S. Harned, John Sholar, W. R. Cherry, W. H. Butler, J. L. Daniel, J. H. Cate, Jr., S. B. Arnold, R. A. Fuller, Dick Shepherd, G. D. Dalton, J. E. Cooper and J. K. Hooser.

The only case tried by jury was that of John Dukes charged with maintaining a common nuisance in North Christian. The jury rendered a verdict of 9 months in jail and \$100 fine.

In many cases set for yesterday the witnesses were absent and nearly all were passed or continued.

Unless Smith charged with assault was the only one tried in the forenoon and he was acquitted.

Tuesday afternoon Judge Hanbery heard the civil case of Hopkinsville Stone Co. vs. R. H. Young and judgment was given the plaintiff.

## LAST MEET THIS MONTH

Matinee Races at Pennyroyal Fair Grounds to Be Held Next Saturday.

Matinee races will be held at the Pennyroyal fair grounds again next Saturday. This will be the last meet of the month. Saturday's card will be a good one and the event promises to be well attended. The usual admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

## Killed His Sons.

Frank Adkins is dead and Will Adkins is dying in Hancock county as a result of a quarrel the two men had with their father. A. H. Adkins, who shot them both.

## SUBMARINES CAUGHT.

Four Entangled in Nets on The East Coast of Scotland.

New York, June 9.—Four German submarines were captured in the Firth of Tay on the east coast of Scotland in a recent raid, according to officers of the liner Cameronia, which arrived from Glasgow. These undersea crafts made a raid upon the Firth and passed under Tay bridge, the longest bridge in the world, and were caught on their return in nets spread by the port authorities.

The submarines were kept entangled 62 hours, said the Cameronia officers, after which they were allowed to come up. The crews were found to be exhausted and surrendered immediately.



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SECRETARY BRYAN.

## PRETTY HOME FLAG DAY WEDDING CELEBRATION

Miss Cowherd Becomes Bride By The Elks at Virginia Park Next Monday Evening.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Cowherd, in Gracey, yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, Mr. Nick A. Hopson and Miss Emma Leigh Cowherd were united in marriage.

The spacious parlors were beautifully decorated, the prevailing colors being green and white. The rooms were darkened and lighted with candles. Little Misses Lotus Powell and Virginia Shelton were the ribbon girls.

Ben Cowherd and Miss Ruth Powell drew the portieres and stepped aside to allow the bridal couple to enter, as Miss Lena Hopson played Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

Rev. Dr. Wells, pastor of the Christian church at Cadiz, performed the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a blue coat suit and hat to match and the groom wore conventional black. They were escorted to the train by numerous friends who showered them with rice as they departed at noon for a short visit to Corydon and other places. They will return home Monday and go to housekeeping.

The bride received many beautiful bridal presents.

The young couple are prominent in society and are quite well known. The popular young groom is a son of Postmaster W. J. Hopson and the bride, who was educated in this city, is a bright and charming girl.

## JOINT MEETING

Of Three Medical Societies At Stuart Hospital Tuesday.

The Christian County Medical Society will hold its regular meeting at Jennie Stuart Memorial Hospital next Tuesday for an all-day meeting. Dr. L. E. Burch, of Nashville, will be present and have a paper. The Medical Societies of both Trigg and Todd will join in the meeting. The ladies will be entertained at dinner by Mrs. Wanda Williams, superintendent of the Hospital.

## Burgess-Miller.

A marriage license was issued Monday afternoon to U. L. Burgess and Miss Bessie Lee Miller, young people of the Gracey neighborhood.

Flag Day Exercises by the Elks will be held Monday night at Virginia Park and preparations are being made for a great occasion by the committee in charge, Lucian H. Davis, Jno. L. Shrode and William R. Wicks. The program will begin at 8 o'clock and will be as follows:

- PROGRAM.**
1. Music, "Star Spangled Banner"—Orchestra.
  2. Introductory Exercises—Exalted Ruler and officers.
  3. Prayer—Chaplain.
  4. Song, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean,"—Robert Wright.
  5. Flag Record—Alvan Clark.
  6. Altar Service—Esquire and Members.
  7. Song, "Auld Lang Syne,"—Officers and Members.
  8. Elks Tribute to the Flag—John Stites.
  9. Music, "Dixie,"—Orchestra.
  10. Reading—Miss Nannie Boyd.
  11. Patriotic Address—Chas. M. Meacham.
  12. Song, "America,"—(Audience to join.)

## A Delightful Afternoon.

In honor of Misses Virginia Case and Bluebell McGowan, Misses Jewell and Gladys Dillman entertained at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dillman, on the Bradshaw road, Saturday afternoon from three to five. Music and games were the feature of the afternoon, after which refreshments were served on the beautiful lawn, to the enjoyment of about sixty guests. The popularity among the young folks of Misses Gladys and Jewell, coupled with the home-like surroundings of the beautiful Dillman home, made this one of the most delightful affairs of the season. Mrs. J. H. Dillman was assisted in serving refreshments by Mrs. Tom Dillman and Mrs. Al Jamison, Mrs. Dr. Sandbach, Mrs. Tom Turner, Mrs. Robert Gray, Mrs. Hanbery and Mrs. U. L. Major were present, also, to enjoy the pleasure of the young folks.

## Owensboro Statistics.

Nearly \$1,500,000 was paid the farmers in the Owensboro district for more than 23,000,000 pounds of tobacco sold on that market during the past season.

## AUSTRIANS PUSH BACK RUSSIANS

Teutons Continue Drive in Galicia, But England Believes Exhaustion is Near.

## ITALIANS IN GENERAL ATTACK

Cavalry Pierces Austrian Line, Is Report Coming From Geneva.

London, June 9.—The big battle in Galicia has reached no decision. The Austro-Germans have crossed the Dniester south of Lemberg and have assumed the offensive farther to the south and, according to the Austrian official report, have pushed the Russians back between Kolomea and Kalusz in eastern Galicia.

British and Russian military opinion is that the Austro-Germans, after their big effort, which regained for them the greater part of Galicia, have about exhausted themselves, and the view is expressed that they soon will have to fortify a line on which they can withstand the Russian counter offensive, which already has made itself felt on the lower San. If the Russian positions really were dangerous, these authorities, say, the allies long ago would have taken the offensive in the west to relieve the pressure on the eastern front.

It is true that the French have been attacking at a number of points between Rheims and the district north of Arras and have gained some ground, but the British are quiet and it hardly can be said that a general offensive in the west has begun.

The British report all quiet on their front, but to the Zeppelin brought down Monday they claim to have added two German aeroplanes as an offset to the destruction, reported by the Germans, of an allied aeroplane near Douai.

The operations on the Italo-Austrian frontiers are screened by the censorship. There are indications, however, that a big battle is imminent, if it has not already begun, along the Isonzo river, where the Italians apparently have decided to launch their principal attack. The Italian cavalry have crossed the river and it was reported from Geneva today that they had pierced the Austrian line.

There also are reports that the allies again have taken the offensive on the Gallipoli peninsula and have defeated the Turks.

German submarines continue their activities. Among their latest victims were three Norwegian vessels, the steamers Trudvang and Glitterind, with iron ore and lumber, respectively, for British ports, and the bark Superb with grain from South America for Queenstown.

Others sunk were the Belgian steamer Menaupier, with the loss of seventeen lives, and the trawler Portland.

Rumania, according to a German report, has declined the first offer of the entente allies to join them, and Bulgaria, in agreement with Rumania, is said to be willing to take any action that country decides on.

## Four Ships Sunk.

Four ships Tuesday were added to the German submarine toll—these being the Belgian steamer Menaupier, the Norwegian bark Superb, each approximately 1,400 tons, and the small Norwegian steamers Glitterind and Trudvang. Of the twenty-three persons on the Menaupier, seventeen were lost, including the captain, his wife and daughter.

It is claimed that women are drinking to a greater extent than they used to.